

The Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers
May 28, 2013

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers was conducted May 28, 2013, at the Office of Occupations and Professions, 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Members Present

Granville Smith, Chairman
Dr. Kevin Stallard
Melanie Abner, Secretary

Occupations and Professions Staff Present

Lindsey Lane, Board Administrator

Others Present

Michael West, Assistant Attorney General
Byron Brentlinger, Board Investigator

Members Absent

Dr. Gary Wortz
Charlotte Whittaker

Call to Order

The Board originally met on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 but did not have a quorum. The meeting was rescheduled for Tuesday, May 28, 2013.

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 11:53 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the March 13, 2013 meeting. Dr. Stallard seconded that motion and it carried.

Review of Financial Statements

The Board reviewed their financial statements from the months of March and April.

O&P Report

Ms. Lane informed the Board that the office is currently holding interview for the vacant Resource Management Analyst II position that will serve as the office Web Administrator. The office hopes to have this position filled by mid June. Executive Director Courtney Bourne has returned from maternity leave and is available if anyone should need her assistance. The office is continuing to work with the Attorney General's Office on setting a date for the Open Meetings Training. Once those arrangements are made Ms. Lane will inform all board members. The office also continues to work with the Commonwealth Office of Technology on a plan for a data conversion. During the 2013 session of the General Assembly, House Bill 440 was passed. This bill pertains to taxpayers that are currently not in compliance and requests that our agency submit information to the Department of Revenue including licensure type, and its current status. If the individual

owes taxes the Department of Revenue may request the license be terminated until the individual pays the amount owed.

Board Counsel Report

Mr. West did not have a report for the May meeting. Mr. West did inform the Board that he may be attending a conference in the fall and was requesting that this Board pay for one third of the total cost of the trip. Ms. Abner made a motion to pay one third the cost of the expenses for Mr. West to attend his conference in the fall. Dr. Stallard seconded that motion and it carried.

Ophthalmic Inspector Report

Mr. Brentlinger reported that he currently has one issue that he's dealing with at a Lenscrafters store. According to Mr. Brentlinger a Lenscrafter store is currently using a machine that handles fittings and measurements for glasses and the machine is being operated by employees that are not licensed Opticians. Mr. Brentlinger informed the store manager that he would speak with the Board and gathers their thoughts and opinion on the issue. The Board requested Mr. West send a letter to the store regarding the machine and who would legally be authorized to use this piece of equipment pursuant to the laws and regulations.

Mr. Brentlinger also reported that he visited a sunglass store that sells prescription sunglasses and does not have a licensed Optician on staff. Dr. Stallard made a motion for Mr. West to send a Cease and Desist letter to the store owner. Ms. Abner seconded that motion and it carried.

All of the remaining stores on Mr. Brentlingers list were in compliance.

Licensure Status Report

Ms. Lane reported that there are currently 199 active Apprentice Ophthalmic Dispensers, 606 active Ophthalmic Dispensers, and 127 inactive Ophthalmic Dispensers.

Approval of Apprentice Applications

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the following Apprentice Applications:

1. William Wilson – Lenscrafters, Lexington, KY
2. Jill Sterling – 20/20 Eyecare, Louisville, KY
3. Evelyn Seilheimer – Eyewear Express, Paducah, KY
4. Kyle Blau – Lenscrafters, Florence, KY
5. Jeremy Coffey – Simpson Optical, Lexington, KY
6. Tammy Wilson – Lenscrafters, Crestview Hills, KY
7. Bridgett Hamm – Eyehealth of Stanford, Stanford, KY
8. Christian Harper – 20/20 Eyecare, Louisville, KY
9. Kayla Nance – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Madisonville, KY
10. Karla Guerrero – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Lexington, KY
11. Gena Kersey – Lenscrafters, Florence, KY
12. Britt Banta – Lenscrafters, Lexington, KY
13. April Scarlato – America's Best Contacts and Eyeglasses, Florence, KY

Dr. Stallard seconded that motion and it carried.

Approval of Practical Exam Applications

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the following Practical Exam Applications:

1. Michael Wood – Optician in Ohio
2. John Soules III – Lenscrafters, Bowling Green, KY
3. Larry Moore – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Madisonville, KY
4. Michael Selm – Sam’s Club – Florence, KY
5. Jennifer King – Sam’s Club – Paducah, KY
6. Alicia Chandler – Vision First, Shelbyville, KY
7. Tracy Brumfield – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Louisville, KY
8. Mary Simpson-Waters, Fort Thomas, KY
9. Rhonda Baira – Ohio Optician
10. Andrea Edgar – Vision First, Louisville, KY

Dr. Stallard seconded that motion and it carried.

Additional Business

Mr. Smith informed the Board that the NCSORB is currently working on reviewing the National Practical Exam and possibly making small revisions. At this time the pass rate is very low for the state of Kentucky and that has alarmed many examinees.

Mr. Smith requested approval for travel to Denver, CO for an ABO/NCLE meeting. Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the travel expenses. Dr. Stallard seconded that motion and it carried.

Approval of Travel and Per Diem

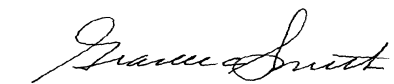
Ms. Abner made a motion to approve travel and per diem for members that attended today’s meeting. Dr. Stallard seconded that motion and it carried.

Next Meeting

The Board will meet again on Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at the Office of Occupations and Professions.

Adjournment

Dr. Stallard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:31pm. Ms. Abner seconded that motion and it carried.



Granville Smith, Chairman